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MEETING OF MAY 11, 2026

Mayor Webb called the meeting to order. Councilmembers Bezdicek, Blumenshein, Harrison, and Howard, Mayor of Sprague Lucas Becker, Kimley-Horn Rachael Granrath, Summer Dayz Board members Tammy McBride, Leanne & Mike Thomas, and the Town clerk attended.

The April 27, 2026, meeting minutes were read and approved as read.

The payables were presented to the Council for review and discussion. Bezdicek moved, Harrison seconded, and the motion carried by a vote of the Council.

CL# 16258-16276 & EFT's	\$18,260.48
PR# 16257 & EFT's	\$ 5,793.33

Rachel Granrath gave a presentation on what Kimley Horn could do for the town regarding ordinances and resolutions. Grants for other projects we are currently working on, and the ability to be an on-call engineering firm for such items. After discussion, Harrison moved, and Howard seconded the use of Kimley-Horn as an on-call engineering firm. Since they were interviewed for prior engineering firms and they are on the small works roster, no additional paperwork needs to be done outside of the contract.

Mike Thomas gave a report on the proposed beer garden for the Summer Dayz Car Show. This beer garden would be fenced off from the other activities and have a separate monitored entrance/exit. Beer, wine, and hard cider will be offered. After discussion, the Beer Garden was approved by a motion from Bezdicek and seconded by Harrison.

Residence at 105 S Park requested an extension to clean up the cardboard because the recycling bin has been full since the Stock Show. Due to mechanical issues at the Whitman County Landfill, Whitman County has been unable to empty the bin. The council granted the extension.

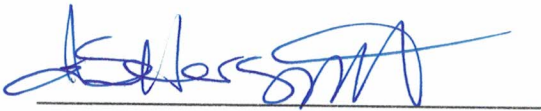
A bid to restripe Park Street after chip seal was discussed. The quote was approved by a motion from Blumenshein and seconded by Bezdicek.

The clerk was asked to sit on the Senior Presentation panel on May 21. This is an all-day event, and Town Hall will be closed. The council agreed this would be an acceptable closure. The Clerk stated she would use a vacation day.

Four Star has requested a change to its liquor license to only beer and wine. This license application was approved by a motion from Howard and seconded by Harrison.

An email from Ward McDonald (Haley Aldrich) was discussed. The Mayor advised Ward that penetrating the clay layer during construction could result in significant groundwater, water table, and flooding issues. The Council discussed measures to limit the Town's potential liability related to such construction activities. It was recommended that building permits clearly state that basements and any excavation or construction work that breaches the clay layer are considered high-risk activities, and that the Town assumes no responsibility for resulting water intrusion or flooding issues.

With no further comments requested, Mayor Webb moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and unanimously approved. The meeting was officially adjourned at 7:34 PM.



F. Shani Hergert
CLERK-TREASURER



Michael G. Webb
MAYOR